## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS TYLER DIVISION

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§	CASE NO. 6:10cv11
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## **ORDER**

The Court received a hand-delivered letter from counsel for SAS Institute, Inc. ("SAS") on November 21, 2011 requesting a conference regarding the issue of recusal in relation to the Notice of Affiliation (Doc. No. 769) filed on October 21, 2011 by Plaintiff Juxtacomm-Texas Software, LLC. As an initial matter, the Court does not accept communications to the Court outside of CM/ECF filings, and the Court does not issue advisory opinions. Any letters, faxes, or other communications that have not been specifically requested by the Court will be disregarded.

The Court notes that the Notice of Affiliation in question was filed one month ago. Since the filing of the Notice of Affiliation, the parties in this case have filed thirty-three (33) motions, in addition to the plethora of prior pending motions. Thus, approximately six weeks prior to jury selection, three weeks before the pretrial hearing, and two weeks before a substantive motion hearing, SAS sends a letter raising, for the first time with the Court, an issue as serious as recusal. Accordingly, if SAS intends to request recusal in this case, it is **ORDERED** to file a motion, under seal, regarding the same by **Friday, November 25, 2011** by **12pm**. Plaintiff Juxtacomm-Texas Software, LLC is **ORDERED** to file a response by **Monday, November 28, 2011** by **5pm**. The

Court will hold a hearing on the motion on Wednesday, November 30, 2011 at 9am.

So ORDERED and SIGNED this 22nd day of November, 2011.

LEONARD DAVIS UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE